



Pennsylvania Broilers

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For the Week of December 29, 2002-January 4, 2003

Pennsylvania Broiler Placements Up 4 Percent from the Previous Week

Pennsylvania: Broiler chicks placed in the Commonwealth during the week ending January 4, 2003, were 2,581,000, up 4 percent from the previous week but 5 percent less than the corresponding week a year earlier. Placements during the past 9 weeks were 6 percent below 1 year ago. Settings for broiler chicks were 3,528,000, down 2 percent from the previous week and 5 percent less than the same week a year ago. The current 3-week total of eggs set is 4 percent below the comparable period last year.

Nineteen States: Broiler chicks placed in the 19 Selected States were 164,621,000, up 1 percent from the previous week but 3 percent less than the

corresponding week a year earlier. Placements during the past 9 weeks were 2 percent below 1 year ago. Settings for broiler chicks were 204,389,000, up 2 percent from the previous week but 1 percent less than the same week a year ago. The current 3-week total of eggs set is 3 percent below the comparable period last year.

Expected Marketings: Expected marketings, based on placements 7-9 weeks earlier, less mortality allowance, in Pennsylvania for the week ending March 1, 2003, will be 2,461,000, 5 percent less than a year earlier. The 19 States expected marketings should total 159,041,000, down 3 percent from the previous year.

Broilers Placed, Eggs Set, Expected Marketings

| Period Covered | Pennsylvania | | | 19 States | | |
|--------------------------------------|---------------------|------------------|-----------------|-------------------|------------------|-----------------|
| | Number (1,000) | Percent | | Number (1,000) | Percent | |
| | | Previous Week | Year Earlier | | Previous Week | Year Earlier |
| | Broilers Placed | | | | | |
| Past Week | 2,581 | 104 | 95 | 164,621 | 101 | 97 |
| Past 9 Weeks . . . | 22,475 | - | 94 | 1,433,013 | - | 98 |
| | Eggs Set | | | | | |
| Past Week | 3,528 | 98 | 95 | 204,389 | 102 | 99 |
| Past 3 Weeks . . . | 10,786 | - | 96 | 606,064 | - | 97 |
| | Expected Marketings | | | | | |
| Week Ending: Mar. 1, 2003 | 2,461 | - | 95 | 159,041 | - | 97 |

Poultry Slaughter: Broiler-fryers slaughtered in Pennsylvania under Federal Inspection during the week ending December 28, 2002, totaled 1,525,000 head with an average live weight of 5.10 pounds

**The 15 State total was discontinued on May 15, 2002.
Data is now being reported as a 19 State total.**

Broiler Eggs Set, 19 Selected States

| State | Week Ending | | | | | |
|-----------------------|-------------|----------|----------|----------|----------|---------|
| | Nov 30 | Dec 7 | Dec 14 | Dec 21 | Dec 28 | Jan 4 |
| | 2002 | 2002 | 2002 | 2002 | 2002 | 2003 |
| | Thousand | | | | | |
| AL | 28,164 | 27,958 | *28,075 | 27,883 | 27,892 | 28,561 |
| AR | 29,362 | 29,336 | 30,240 | 30,054 | 29,685 | 31,253 |
| DE | 3,600 | 3,415 | 3,389 | 3,399 | *3,450 | 3,602 |
| FL | 2,258 | 1,727 | 1,592 | 1,572 | 1,564 | 1,562 |
| GA | 30,424 | 30,418 | *30,546 | 29,982 | *30,767 | 30,896 |
| KY | *6,306 | *6,524 | *6,550 | *6,360 | *6,096 | 6,172 |
| MD | 9,890 | 9,933 | 9,925 | 9,834 | *9,768 | 9,670 |
| MS | 18,691 | 18,596 | *18,857 | 18,627 | 18,897 | 18,823 |
| NC | 18,279 | 17,594 | *18,488 | 18,219 | 17,743 | 18,590 |
| OK | 6,320 | 6,386 | 6,243 | 6,363 | 6,027 | 6,364 |
| PA | 3,738 | 3,633 | 3,733 | *3,666 | *3,592 | 3,528 |
| SC | 4,632 | 4,526 | 4,676 | 4,868 | 4,863 | 4,729 |
| TX | *14,940 | *14,873 | *15,134 | *14,759 | *14,890 | 14,559 |
| VA | 6,211 | 5,984 | 6,230 | 6,226 | *6,294 | 6,355 |
| CA, LA, MO, TN, & WV: | 19,771 | 19,275 | 20,058 | 19,039 | *19,296 | 19,725 |
| 19 State Total | *202,586 | *200,178 | *203,736 | *200,851 | *200,824 | 204,389 |
| Previous Year Total | 211,929 | 204,465 | 207,067 | 208,836 | 207,192 | 206,952 |
| Pct. of Prev. Year | 96 | 98 | 98 | 96 | 97 | 99 |

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Broiler Chicks Placed, 19 Selected States

| State | Week Ending | | | | | |
|-----------------------|-------------|----------|----------|----------|----------|---------|
| | Nov 30 | Dec 7 | Dec 14 | Dec 21 | Dec 28 | Jan 4 |
| | 2002 | 2002 | 2002 | 2002 | 2002 | 2003 |
| | Thousand | | | | | |
| AL | 20,386 | 20,953 | 21,362 | 21,620 | 21,683 | 21,079 |
| AR | 21,996 | 23,291 | 24,762 | 23,254 | 23,721 | 24,244 |
| DE | 4,810 | 5,392 | 5,115 | 5,313 | *4,454 | 4,908 |
| FL | 2,467 | 2,091 | 1,696 | 1,754 | 1,607 | 1,557 |
| GA | 24,294 | 25,182 | *24,818 | *24,836 | *24,543 | 24,579 |
| KY | 5,020 | 5,443 | 5,390 | *5,186 | *5,314 | 5,466 |
| MD | 6,131 | 5,221 | 5,475 | 5,805 | *6,383 | 6,078 |
| MS | 15,265 | 15,125 | 15,285 | 15,907 | 15,161 | 15,540 |
| NC | 14,122 | 13,614 | 14,344 | 14,273 | 13,978 | 14,491 |
| OK | 5,144 | 4,525 | 3,957 | 4,647 | 4,388 | 4,491 |
| PA | 2,588 | 2,388 | 2,625 | *2,548 | *2,482 | 2,581 |
| SC | 3,870 | 3,440 | 3,225 | 3,831 | 3,939 | 4,105 |
| TX | 12,241 | *11,710 | *12,083 | *11,821 | *11,729 | 11,914 |
| VA | 5,288 | 4,861 | 5,221 | *5,901 | *5,444 | 5,337 |
| CA, LA, MO, TN, & WV: | 18,253 | 18,823 | 17,570 | 18,045 | *17,691 | 18,251 |
| 19 State Total | 161,875 | *162,059 | *162,928 | *164,741 | *162,517 | 164,621 |
| Previous Year Total | 165,267 | 167,382 | 166,079 | 170,266 | 166,034 | 169,020 |
| Pct. of Prev. Year | 98 | 97 | 98 | 97 | 98 | 97 |

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